

When I was clearing my parents' home following the death of my mother, I found a large cardboard box that seemed to have no connection with my family. Amongst innumerable ephemera concerning the supernatural (books, magazines and so on) was some obscure brand of cassette tape with the single word "Hannah" written on them. The cassettes had music on them but they were not pre-recorded. They contained long recordings of a single classical guitar recorded rather badly in mono. So I decided to view the discovery of the tapes as serendipitous and have used them as the basis for the Aux Luna project. I hope they have retained some of their charm and certainly their odd provenance is part of their mystique for me.

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One of the compact cassettes. All contained poor quality recordings of a classical guitar.

Troublesome spirits

'Noise-maker', 'mischievous spirit', 'troublesome ghost', however one wishes to translate the German word Polter-Geist its meaning is clear. Broken crockery, thrown cutlery, rappings and knockings with no obvious cause... all these elements are usually present at the scene of a poltergeist. They seem to centre around a led investigation, which may well be psychological, but may also be the result of mischief or practical joking.

THE Inexplicable

Encounters of the fourth kind
Loch Ness: a non-scientific look
A Christmas Poltergeist
Rennes-le-Château: The mystery of the Holy Blood
Talking Mongeese

ABOVE: In 1955, French photographer Gerrard Lestienne took this photograph after waiting patiently for an hour and a half in the room in which a poltergeist was said to be active. Published in *Samedi Soir*, Lestienne swore it was not faked.

It is November 1927 and in Elmwood Road, West London a series of strange events are about to unfold which will result in an entire family being forced to leave their home and will fascinate and horrify the entire nation.

Living with him were his wife, a son and a daughter, as well as two of his wife's nieces. Mrs Roe was angry when she discovered that the window pane had been smashed the previous night. She was even more annoyed to find that the window pane had been shattered again.

The issues of the Inexplicable magazine I found in the box had the name 'SHEPHERD' written on them - perhaps for the newspaper delivery boy? Assuming a parent read these I supposed this might also be Hannah's surname.

downpour of pennies, coal and pieces of wood fell out of nowhere and smashed through even more glass panes.

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Diana

FOR GIRLS 1976



The girls annuals obviously belonged to Hannah, but they seem incongruous because as far as I can tell they have no supernatural connection.

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Aux Luna seems to have been an ersatz version of 'View Master'. I thought it might make a suitable name for the musical project.



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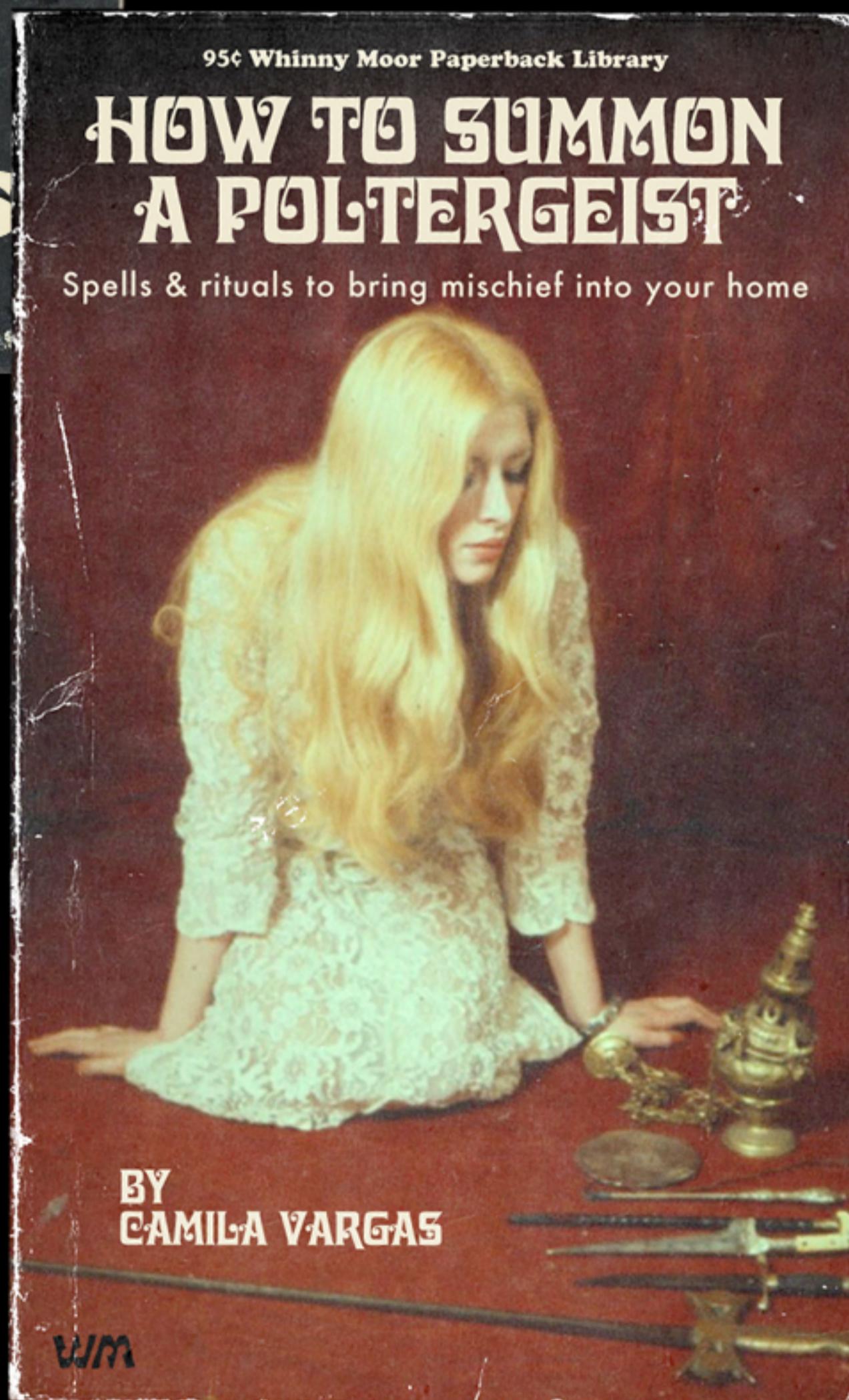
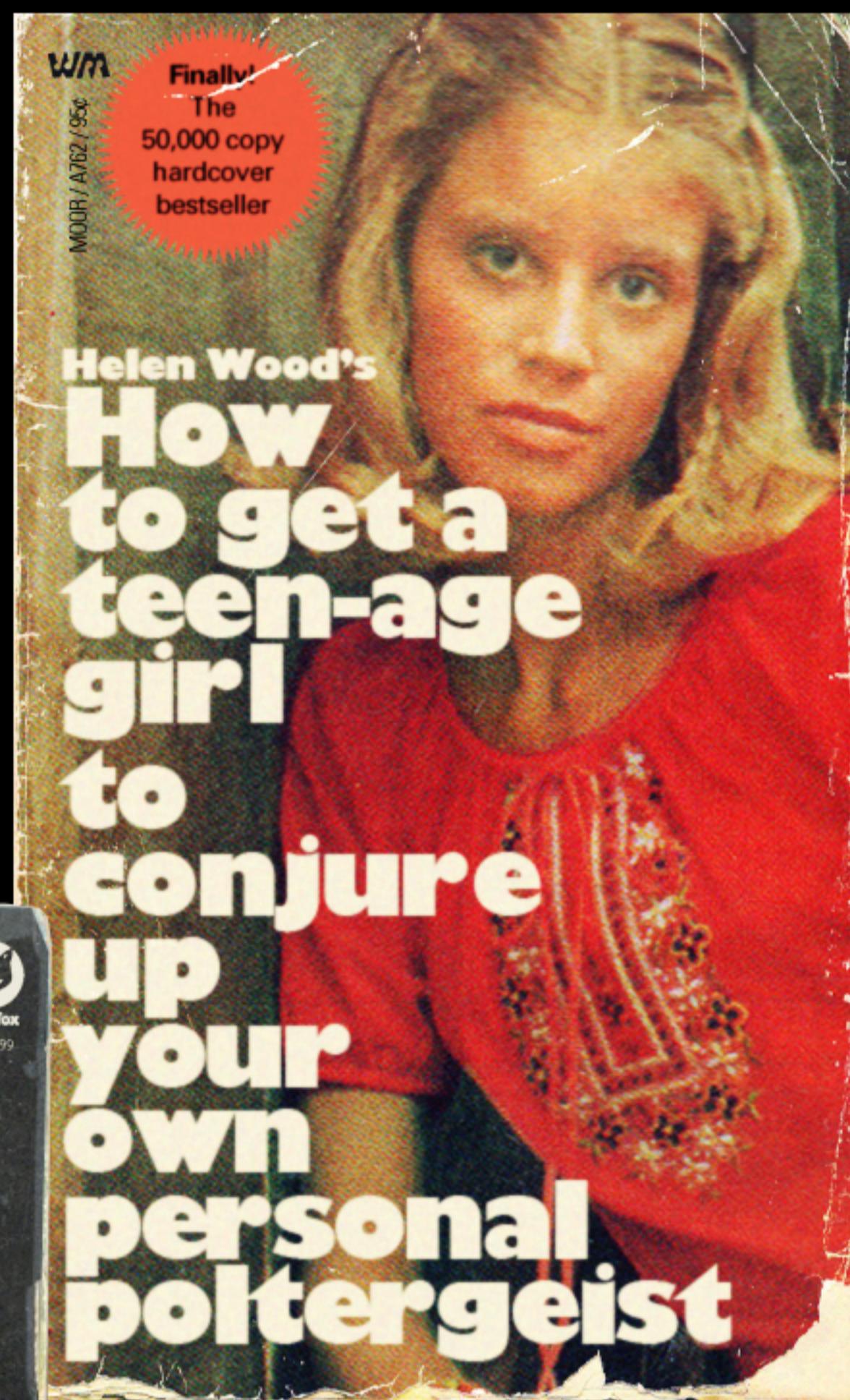


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Just three of the paperbacks I found in the box. Most from the same publisher it seems.

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